NIT Silchar students seek govt help

UMANAND JAISWAL

Guwahati: Students of the National Institute of Technology (NIT) Silchar on Tuesday evening sought the immediate intervention of the central and Assam governments to resolve the standoff with the institute's administration following the alleged suicide of a student on Friday.

A representation has also been sent to President Droupadi Murmu.

An uneasy calm prevails on the NIT campus after students went on an indefinite strike and boycotted classes from Monday, seeking the resignation of two senior administrators following the death of Koj Buker, a third-year electrical engineering student from Arunachal Pradesh.

They are also demanding that no action be taken against any student who took part in the protests. Buker was "under stress" owing to multiple backlogs and his repeated pleas to hold special examinations to clear the backlogs were "not" accepted, the students claimed.

A senior member of the administration had met the students on Monday night and on Tuesday afternoon, requesting them to call off the protest till the director returns on Friday but the students stuck to their demands in the absence of written assurance to meet them. The students fear they will be targeted once the storm subsides, one of them said.

With both the students and the administration digging in their heels, the students called up the Assam chief minister's office and Raj Bhavan in the morning to apprise them of the situation.

By evening, they emailed a representation to the Assam chief minister's office and the Prime Minister's office.

Accused in coal case summoned

KINSUK BASU

Calcutta: The Enforcement Directorate (ED) investigating the alleged pilferage of coal from mines in several districts of south Bengal has summoned Anup Majhi alias Lala, the key accused, for questioning to its headquarters in Delhi on Wednesday.

Senior officers of the central investigating agency said Majhi had been directed to appear before a team of interrogators at 11am.

The case of money laundering stems from an FIR registered by the CBI in November 2020, alleging a multi-crore-rupee coal pilferage scam related to Eastern Coalfields Limited mines at Kunustoria and Kajora in Bengal.

Majhi is a resident of Purulia district. The ED had summoned him several times in the past but he has evaded the questioning.

Senior ED officers said Majhi's operation was spread over parts of Purulia, Bankura and West Burdwan districts and Dhanbad in Jharkhand.

The investigators suspect over Rs 1,300 crore was illegally generated and the amount was distributed to several politicians, a few police officers and other influential people.

Chandrayaan PSU staff odyssey for salary

HEC employees with the cut-out replica of the Isro launching pad and Chandrayaan-3 at Hatia railway station in Ranchi on Tuesday. Picture by Manob Chowdhury

ANIMESH BISOEE

Jamshedpur: Over 100 employees, including engineers, of the ailing Ranchi-based PSU Heavy Engineering Corporation (HEC) left for Delhi with cut-out replicas of Chandrayaan-3 to stage a demonstration on September 21 to protest against non-disbursal of salaries for 18 months.

"We left for Delhi by different trains and will converge on Jantar Mantar road in Delhi on September 21 for a demonstration. We are also carrying cut-out replicas of Chandrayaan-3 to show to the masses and remind the Centre about our contribution to the recent lunar exploration mission by the Isro. We have not been paid our salaries for 18 months," said HEC Majdoor Union president Bhawan Singh who boarded the train from Ranchi on Tuesday.

HEC workers and engineers claimed that they had constructed several parts of the second launching pad of the Isro which was used for Chandrayaan-3. Engineers of HEC had constructed 400/60 EOT (electric overhead travelling) crane, 200/30T EOT crane, 10 Ton hammerhead tower crane, FCVRP (folding cum vertical repositionable platform), horizontal sliding door and mobile launching pedestal of the Isro.

Singh also informed that several MPs of different parties had expressed solidarity with their cause and would attend the dharna on Jantar Mantar road.

"Some of our members have already reached Delhi and have been reaching out to MPs and other leaders so that they attend our demonstration. We have no hope from the BJP and AJSU MPs from Jharkhand as they do not have the guts to raise their voices before the central government. We have also sought an appointment with the Union heavy industries minister," said Singh.

Out of 14 Lok Sabha seats in Jharkhand, 11 are represented by the BJP and one by its ally AJSU. The Congress and the JMM have one Lok Sabha member each from the state.

Singh also said a CPM MP from Kerala, Elamaram Kareem, had agreed to be present at the demonstration for the entire day.

"The CPM MP had earlier this month written to the Union heavy industries minister Mahendra Nath Pandey, highlighting the plight of 2,800 employees who are on the brink of starvation because of non-payment of salaries.... We expect MPs from other parties, too, to attend the dharna" said Singh.

Leaders of the INDIA bloc in Jharkhand had staged an agitation last week at the Raj Bhavan in Ranchi and submitted a letter addressed to Prime Minister Narendra Modi through the governor requesting modernisation and revival of HEC and clearing pending salaries of its employees and officials.

The letter to the Prime Minister reminded Modi of the contribution of HEC to Chandrayaan-3 and to the Aditya L1 solar project of the Isro and said HEC had built the launchpad for the Aditya project, too.

"HEC is in a dying state today despite receiving a lot of orders as no modernisation has taken place. Due to the non-availability of working capital owing to the closure of the bank guarantee, HEC is unable to fulfil orders. The salaries of HEC personnel are also unpaid for the last 18 months," the letter states.

TMC lines up another mass-contact event

SNEHAMOY CHAKRABORTY

Calcutta: Trinamul Congress leader Abhishek Banerjee will spearhead another mass outreach programme after the festive season to prepare the party for the general election next year.

"This will essentially be Nabo Jowar 2.0. The name of the drive and its goal will be finalised soon and announced properly. The main motive of the drive is to connect with the masses properly before the general election. The programme will be spearheaded by our national general secretary Abhishek Banerjee," said a senior Trinamul leader.

The Diamond Harbour MP had led the Trinamuley Nabo Jowar (New Wave in Trinamul) before the panchayat elections this year.

Sources in Trinamul said the preliminary outline of the coming drive was ready and needed to be approved in a meeting with party chief Mamata Banerjee after she returns on September 23 from her Spain-UAE tour.

A source in the ruling party said the nature of the exercise would be like the Trinamuley Nabo Jowar, but other types of events were lined up to specifically sharpen the attack against the Narendra Modi government at the Centre.

Abhishek Banerjee. File picture

The new edition of the mega drive will be based on the issues related to the general election. The strategy for the party will be tailored according to local issues and the political situation of each of 42 Lok Sabha seats in Bengal.

"The programmes and strategy would be very different in Alipurduar and Purulia. During the rural polls, the party only touched villages. All urban areas will be covered by the coming mass-contact programme," said a leader.

"The plan is Bengal-specific. In case the INDIA alliance materialises properly, Trinamul could ask willing allies to launch a joint campaign everywhere," he added.

Trinamul's first mega outreach programme was launched through the Didi Ke Bolo (Tell Didi) dial-for-distress campaign envisaged by poll consultant Prashant Kishor in 2019. Didir Surakasha Kavach (Didi's Talisman) was also launched in January this year, for party leaders to reach electors on their doorsteps.

A source in Trinamul said the party thought the Nabo Jowar drive helped in gaining massive victories in critical zones like north Bengal and the Jungle Mahal in the rural polls.

In Nabo Jowar, Abhishek travelled across Bengal and held over 250 public meetings in two months. It had two parts, the Jano Sanjog Yatra (mass-connect march) where the Diamond Harbour MP connected with the people through public meetings, and the Gram Banglar Motamot (opinion of rural Bengal) in which he conducted meetings with Trinamul representatives down to the booth level and they voted to select names of the candidates.

Abhishek had travelled over 3,500km in a little over two months.

Samik Bhattacharya, the chief spokesperson for the BJP's Bengal unit, said: "Trinamul should remember that a low tide inevitably comes after a high tide. Trinamul had to manipulate the panchayat polls by using even block development officers, and they would not get the same opportunity next year. The count of seats won by the BJP in 2024 will begin from 25."

HC: Kurmi rail blockades illegal

SNEHAMOY CHAKRABORTY AND TAPAS GHOSH

Calcutta: Calcutta High Court on Tuesday declared as illegal the call for indefinite rail and road blockades from Wednesday by a few outfits of the Kurmi community.

A few Kurmi organisations in Bengal and Jharkhand had called for indefinite blockades from Wednesday to press for the community's demand for Scheduled Tribe (ST) status.

While a division bench headed by Chief Justice T.S. Sivagnanam passed the interim order following a public interest litigation (PIL), the Adivasi Kurmi Samaj decided to call off the agitation in the face of "pressure from the state machinery".

Ajit Mahato, the chief advisor to the Adivasi Kurmi Samaj, which is the prime outfit that gave the call for the agitation, said on Tuesday: "We have decided to withdraw the proposed blockade in Bengal because of tremendous pressure from the state machinery and police. The police arrested over a dozen of our leaders from various districts in false cases to stop our peaceful movement. Our members will join the protest in Jharkhand."

A source in the court said: "The bench asked central and state governments to take all possible steps to ensure that normality was not disturbed following the agitation. The day's interim order was issued by the court in the light of an order of the apex court of the country that banned such road and rail blockades in the early 1990s."

The Kurmi outfits plan to organise the railway blockades at Khemashuli in West Midnapore and Kustaur in Purulia.

A source said a large contingent of police had been deployed at various strategic locations since Sunday to stop people from organising the protests.

"We have received Calcutta High Court's order and all possible steps will be taken to stop the blockade," said Dhritiman Sarkar, the West Midnapore district police chief.

In April also, the Kurmi outfits had put up blockades at Khemashuli and Kustaur for at least five days.

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL

NOTICE

A Walk in Interview will be held on 10.10.2023 at 11.30 a.m. for one post of SRF on Contractual basis at Patent Information Centre, West Bengal State Council of Science and Technology and Biotechnology, Vigyan Chetana Bhavan, Salt Lake, Sector-I, Kolkata - 64. For details please visit **dstbt.bangla.gov.in**

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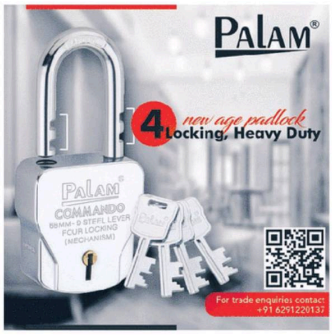

Chief minister Mamata Banerjee hosted an event in Barcelona, Spain, on Tuesday to woo investors to the Bengal Global Business Summit at Calcutta in November.

"Nowadays, the world is a family with only geographical boundaries but mentally we are one. We believe in humanism, unity in diversity, development, and that the poorest of people must be taken care of, as they are the main foundation," said Mamata at the event.

"In my state, I feel proud to say that we provide social security to 99 per cent of them.... The commitment to women's empowerment is very high in Bengal. We have launched initiatives to provide free education, free healthcare, free smartphones, free cycles, and free ration to the people," she added.

Before Mamata spoke, industrialists in her delegation lavished praise on Bengal and its investment climate.

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[See proviso to rule 8(6) Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002]
SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

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Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged to the Secured Creditor, the physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of Aditya Birla Finance Limited, the mortgage property will be sold through E-Auction on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" basis on **27th October 2023 for recovery of Rs. 1,10,16,436/- (Rupees One Crore Ten Lakhs Sixteen Thousand Four Hundred Thirty-Six Only)** (This amount is exclusive of TDS Calculation and Pre-Payment Charges, as applicable) **as on 26.08.2021** and further interest and other expenses thereon till the date of realization due to the Secured Creditor from **Borrowers/co-Borrowers namely, 1. Mega Ply Centre, Through its Proprietor, Debabrata Bhowal (Borrower) 2. Debabrata Bhowal (Co-Borrower) 3. Rita Bhowal (Co-Borrower).**
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Document worry after fire

ABHIJEET CHATTERJEE

Durgapur: A fire broke out at the headquarters of the Asansol-Durgapur Development Authority (ADDA) here early on Tuesday, triggering an apprehension that important documents related to land, tenders and development projects were charred.

The ADDA is a nodal agency of the Bengal government to implement development projects and the authorised lessor of commercial and domestic plots in its 1,600sq km area of operation in West Burdwan.

Altogether, 12 firefighting engines of the fire brigade, SAIL, Damodar Valley Corporation (DVC) and Kazi Nazrul Islam Airport at nearby Andal were pressed into service and took almost eight hours to douse the blaze that broke out at 2am. One firefighter fell sick during the operation and was hospitalised.

A preliminary report of the fire department said a short-circuit had caused the blaze. ADDA chairman and Trinamul Congress MLA Tapas Banerjee has ordered a forensic probe into the incident.

A room gutted in the fire at the ADDA head office in Durgapur on Tuesday. Picture by Dipika Sarkar

Sources said the fire had broken out on the second floor of the three-storey building, where the ADDA office is located. The sources added that furniture, and computer and record rooms were gutted.

The flames did not reach two nationalised banks and two state-run cooperative banks located on the ground floor of the building. The first floor was not affected either.

While ADDA officials said it was an accidental fire, Opposition parties saw it as an attempt to destroy "evidence" of corruption.

"We have been receiving information of malpractices in the commercial land distribution of the ADDA. The fire may be a sabotage to destroy evidence," said Lakkhan Ghorui, local BJP MLA.

However, ADDA chairman Banerjee said: "All duplicate copies of documents are safe in our office in Asansol. The documents can be found online also. Our main server room was safe. The Opposition parties are trying to politicise an accident."